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**Quarterly Program Topic Report**  
**July 1-September 30, 2009**

**Alcohol, Drug Abuse/Addiction**

NOLA: MLNH 009501  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/1/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review  
Segment Length: 00:07:17

FDA Panel Recommends Ban on Popular Painkillers: A doctor assesses a new FDA panel recommendation for a ban on such popular painkillers as Vicodin, Percocet and other drugs containing acetaminophen.

**American History/Biography**

NOLA: HIDE 000703  
Series Title: History Detectives  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/6/2009 9:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Other  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

St. Valentine's Day Massacre - HISTORY DETECTIVES stares down the barrel of a shotgun for clues that one of Al Capone's men fired it in a Chicago gang massacre that shocked the nation. The gun came to the contributor's family after it was handed down through two generations of prominent Chicago families. It's a Western Field single-barreled repeating action 12-gauge shotgun. The barrel and the stock were once shortened just the way the Capone gang liked its guns: easy to conceal and with greater destructive force. HISTORY DETECTIVES host Elyse Luray tests the gun's firepower, consults with ballistics experts and combs through physical evidence to see if she can place this gun at the scene of the crime. Booth Letter - A contributor gave HISTORY DETECTIVES a letter indicating that, 30 years before John Wilkes Booth assassinated Abraham Lincoln, Booth's father threatened to kill another sitting president, Andrew Jackson. Signed "Junius Brutus Booth," the letter to Jackson reads, "You damn'd old scoundrel ... I will cut your throat whilst you are sleeping." The writer insists that Jackson pardon two men who were sentenced to death. Why did the fate of these two men incite such fury? HISTORY DETECTIVES host Tukufu Zuberi travels to Nashville to consult historians at The Hermitage, the ancestral home of President Andrew Jackson, and to Washington, DC, to talk with a Booth biographer. Was the letter a hoax? Or did assassination run in the Booth blood? Cemetery Alarm - A Midland, Michigan, man who collects war munitions snapped up an item at an estate auction that looked like a Civil War-era weapon. On closer inspection, after consulting with other collectors, he decided he had a grave alarm: an explosive device meant to guard against grave robbers. Is this truly a grave alarm? HISTORY DETECTIVES host Wes Cowan's investigation winds through tales of body snatching and cadaver dissecting, unusual crimes and the most unlikely suspects.

NOLA: TTEA 000101  
Series Title: Time Team America  
Episode Title: Fort Raleigh, North Carolina  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/9/2009 9:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

TIME TEAM AMERICA goes in search of our nation's mysterious roots at Roanoke Island. In 1586 the English sent the first group of hardy, hopeful colonists to make a go of it in the New World. But when English ships returned with supplies just three years later, they found the settlement empty and colonists gone. The colonists had left behind only one clue: the word Croatan carved in the gatepost of their fort. It took 20 years for the stunned English to establish another settlement in America. The fate of the Roanoke colonists remains one of the most chilling and maddening questions of American history. TIME TEAM AMERICA spends three days at Fort Raleigh in hot pursuit of archaeological evidence that will put the ghost of Roanoke to rest, and establish where the first colony in America was actually located.

NOLA: MLNH 009532  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/13/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Remembering Guitar Legend Les Paul: A look back at the life and career of Les Paul, whose electric guitar and multi-track recording changed how music is played and recorded. He died Thursday at 94.

NOLA: AMMS 002205  
Series Title: American Masters  
Episode Title: Trumbo  
Length: 90 minutes  
Airdate: 9/2/2009 9:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 01:26:46

This profile of Hollywood writer Dalton Trumbo, who refused to testify before House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC) in 1947 and was imprisoned, is adapted from his son Christopher's 2003 play and based on Trumbo's letters.

## Arts

NOLA: AMDO 002203  
Series Title: P.O.V.  
Episode Title: Life. Support. Music.  
Length: 90 minutes  
Airdate: 7/12/2009 11:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

In 2004, Jason Crigler's life was taking off. He was one of New York's hottest young guitarists, his new CD was due for release and his wife, Monica, was pregnant with their first child. Then, at a gig in Manhattan, Jason suffered a near-fatal brain hemorrhage. His doctors doubted he would ever emerge from his near-vegetative state. The astonishing journey that followed, documented by friend and filmmaker Eric Daniel Metzgar ("The Chances of the World Changing," P.O.V. 2007), is a stirring family saga and a portrait of creative struggle in the face of overwhelming tragedy.

NOLA: CPFH 002009  
Series Title: Capitol Fourth; A  
Length: 90 minutes  
Airdate: 7/4/2009 8:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Emmy and Golden Globe Award-winning film, theater and television actor Jimmy Smits hosts the 29th annual broadcast of America's biggest and best-loved 4th of July concert, featuring a spectacular fireworks display on the National Mall over the Washington Monument captured by 18 TV cameras stationed around the city. Barry Manilow will perform a selection of patriotic and celebratory music with the National Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of top pops conductor Erich Kunzel and the Choral Arts Society of Washington, under the direction of Norman Scribner. Also performing--the Queen of Soul Aretha Franklin, international pop sensation Natasha Bedingfield, the Tony and Grammy Award-winning cast of Jersey Boys, multi Grammy Award-nominee Michael Feinstein and acclaimed classical pianist Andrew von Oeyen. As a special treat for the entire family, Elmo, Big Bird, Cookie Monster, Oscar the Grouch and more of the Sesame Street gang will be on hand to celebrate America's 233rd birthday. The July 4th concert finale includes Tchaikovsky's "1812 Overture"--featuring the U.S. Army Herald Trumpets and complete with live cannon fire provided by the United States Army Presidential Salute Battery. Also featured are the U.S. Army Ceremonial Band, the U.S. Army "Old Guard" Fife and Drum Corps and the Joint Armed Forces Color Guard of the Military District of Washington.

NOLA: AMDO 002207  
Series Title: P.O.V.  
Episode Title: P.O.V. Shorts Program  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/23/2009 11:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

P.O.V. presents a one-hour collection of acclaimed documentary shorts by established and emerging filmmakers. "Utopia, Part 3: The World's Largest Shopping Mall" by Sam Green and Carrie Lozano -- If you thought Minnesota's Mall of America was the world's biggest shopping center, think again. It's the South China Mall, a Vegas-like spectacle built in 2005 that now sits almost entirely empty. In the current economic climate, could this be the shape of things to come?; "Nutkin's Last Stand" by Nicholas Berger-- Something is rotten in England. A plague of North American grey squirrels threatens the beloved native red squirrel. The English are up in arms and a band of patriots -- including lords, priests, artists and farmers -- has come together to fight back against the grey menace.; "34x25x36" -- Filmmaker Jesse Epstein's latest installment in a trilogy about body image shows the inner workings of the Patina V Mannequin Factory outside Los Angeles and the musings of the people who decide what the perfect female body should look like.; "City of Cranes" by Eva Weber -- Take a journey high up in the sky and look at the world through the eyes and words of crane operators. A must-see for anybody who has ever wondered what it is like to work hundreds of feet above the ground, surrounded only by a small metal cage.

#### Business/Industry

NOLA: ASMO 000103  
Series Title: Ascent of Money  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/22/2009 9:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

In The Ascent of Money, Niall Ferguson seeks to explain the financial history of the world, exploring how our complex system of global finance evolved, how money has shaped the course of human affairs and how the mechanics of this economic system work to create seemingly unlimited wealth or catastrophic loss. In the third episode, "Risky Business," the insurance industry is explored from 18th century Scotland to the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

NOLA: BMJL 001315  
Series Title: Bill Moyers Journal  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/24/2009 10:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Rage on the Airwaves: What happens when America's airwaves fill with hate? Bill Moyers Journal revisits a tough look at the hostile industry of "Shock Jock" media with a hard-hitting examination of its effects on our nation's political discourse. Trudy Lieberman and Marcia Angell: Bill Moyers sits down with Trudy Lieberman, director of the health and medical reporting program at the CUNY Graduate School of Journalism, and Marcia Angell, senior lecturer in social medicine at Harvard Medical School and former editor in chief of the "New England Journal of Medicine."

NOLA: MLNH 009542  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/27/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

FDIC Losing Money as Many More Banks Face Collapse: The FDIC reported that its insurance fund shrank 20 percent in the second quarter. Jeffrey Brown speaks with a reporter and analyst about troubled banks.

#### Community Politics, Government

NOLA: MLNH 009503  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/3/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review  
Segment Length: 00:12:13

Palin Resignation, Minnesota Senate Election Resolution Top Week's News: Columnists Mark Shields and Michael Gerson mull Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin's surprise resignation announcement and the Minnesota Supreme Court's ruling that Democrat Al Franken defeated Republican Norm Coleman for a U.S. Senate seat.

NOLA: MLNH 009541  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/26/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Other News--S.C. Lt. Gov. Calls for Sanford Resignation: In other news, the lieutenant governor of South Carolina asked Republican Gov. Mark Sanford to resign, and new economic data showed better-than-expected recoveries in the manufacturing and housing sectors.

## Consumerism

NOLA: MLNH 009510  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/14/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

In Slumping Economy, a Shift in Shopping Habits: Economics correspondent Paul Solman speaks with author Paco Underhill about how consumer habits have changed during this recession.

NOLA: BMJL 001317  
Series Title: Bill Moyers Journal  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/7/2009 10:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Chris Jordan: Photographic Artist Chris Jordan turns the statistics of consumerism into palpable images in his new photo series. Sara Lawrence-Lightfoot: Bill Moyers speaks with one of America's leading educators and author of "The Third Chapter: Passion Risk and Adventure in the 25 Years After 50.

NOLA: YLYM 000000  
Series Title: Your Life, Your Money  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 9/10/2009 9:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Demonstration/Instructional  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

With compelling real-life stories of young people finding their way through a variety of economic challenges, YOUR LIFE, YOUR MONEY delivers basic financial advice in a simple and comprehensible manner. Hosted by Donald Faison ("Scrubs", "Clueless") and featuring insights from hip-hop icon Russell Simmons and R&B/pop singer D.Woods (Danity Kane).

### Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement

NOLA: MLNH 009530  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/11/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Systemic Rape, Fighting Threaten Congo's Future: Secretary of State Clinton condemned sexual abuse by Congolese soldiers and rebels against civilians. A women's rights advocate describes the scope of the atrocities.

NOLA: WWIR 004909  
Series Title: Washington Week  
Length: 30 minutes  
Airdate: 8/28/2009 9:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

The loss of a liberal lion, plus the Justice Department versus the CIA and the good news-bad news economy, tonight, on Washington Week. Thousands of mourners paid respects today to a man who lived the past and looked to the future. Sen. Ted Kennedy (D-MA) said, "This November, the torch will be passed again to a new generation of Americans." Pres. Barack Obama noted, "His ideas and ideals are stamped on scores of laws and reflected in millions of lives." Ted Kennedy's passing was not unexpected, but it leaves a void on domestic issues like health care. Sen. Chris Dodd (D-CT) said, "My hope is that this will maybe cause people to take a breath, step back, and start talking with each other again in more civil tones about what needs to be done." And on bipartisanship. Vice Pres. Joe Biden said, "He was never small. And in the process of his doing, he made everybody he worked with bigger." As Massachusetts and the nation mourns, what comes next? In other news, Attorney General Eric Holder goes toe-to-toe with CIA Director Leon Panetta over detainee interrogations. "If threatening a prisoner with an electric drill isn't torture, I'm not sure what is." How far will the investigation go? And as Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke wins reappointment, stocks gain but deficit projections explode. Is there a silver lining anywhere? Covering the week, David Broder of the Washington Post, Karen Tumulty of Time Magazine, Pete Williams of NBC News, and David Wessel of the Wall Street Journal.

## Economy

NOLA: WWIR 004905  
Series Title: Washington Week  
Length: 30 minutes  
Airdate: 7/31/2009 9:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Six months in, is the president truly hitting a rough patch, or are the White House and the Congress in a standoff? We take a look, tonight on Washington Week. As the president's popularity begins to slide, the test narrows down to the future of health care. Pres. Barack Obama said, "Nobody is talking about some government takeover of health care. I'm tired of hearing that." Sen. Harry Reid (D-NV) said, "The only problem we have with having a bipartisan bill is the Republican leadership in the Senate." Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY) said, "Some in Congress seem to be in such a rush--such a rush to pass any reform rather than the right reform." Sen. Chuck Grassley (R-IA) said, "The trouble is you folks are looking for news and there ain't no news." But there has been news and it's all about complicated choices, whether it's about reviving the economy. Pres. Obama said, "We now have problems. We're going to have to tighten our belt. But we can't do it in the middle of the stimulus. We can't do it in the middle--just as the economy is coming out of recession. Sen. Jim Demint (R-SC) said, "He's taken a bad economy and made it worse." Or tackling racial reconciliation by photo-op, whatever happened to the summer doldrums?. Covering the week: Charles Babington of the Associated Press, Dan Balz of the Washington Post, and Alexis Simendinger of National Journal.

NOLA: ASMO 000104  
Series Title: Ascent of Money  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/29/2009 9:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

In The Ascent of Money, Niall Ferguson seeks to explain the financial history of the world, exploring how our complex system of global finance evolved, how money has shaped the course of human affairs and how the mechanics of this economic system work to create seemingly unlimited wealth or catastrophic loss. The final episode, "Planet Finance," explores how the global economic system has created unprecedented growth but can lead to worldwide instability.



NOLA: CWEI 000000  
Series Title: Families Stand Together: Feeling Secure in Tough Times  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 9/9/2009 9:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Other  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

This primetime television special features brief documentaries about real-life families and the story of a Muppet family coping with the ups and downs of these uncertain economic times. Hosted by Al Roker, Deborah Roberts and Elmo and his friends, the special will offer help, hope and strategies for families and will encourage children to express their feelings and ideas as their families adjust to a new life.

#### Education

NOLA: MLNH 009505  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/7/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review  
Segment Length: 00:10:55

Struggling Schools Turn to Top Grads for Teaching Boost: In the latest installment in a series about education reform, John Merrow reports on how public school systems struggling to close the achievement gap are increasingly turning to the Teach for America program for help.

NOLA: WIDA 000807  
Series Title: Wide Angle | Time for School 3  
Episode Title: Time for School 3 - Part 1  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 9/2/2009 10:30:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

In Part 1 of WIDE ANGLE's unprecedented, award-winning 12-year documentary project, Time for School, returns in 2009 with visits to seven classrooms in seven countries to offer a glimpse into the lives of seven extraordinary children who are struggling to get what nearly all American kids take for granted: a basic education. We started filming in 2002, watching as kids first entered school in Afghanistan, Benin, Brazil, India, Japan, Kenya and Romania, many despite great odds. Several years later, in 2006, we returned to film an update--and now, three years later, we travel to check in on our young teenagers who are making the precarious transition to middle school. These children's stories put a human face on the shocking fact that more than 75 million children are currently out of school; of these, two thirds are girls. One in four children in developing countries does not complete five years of basic education, and there are nearly one billion illiterate adults--one-sixth of the world's people. WIDE ANGLE plans to continue revisiting all the children, and their peers and families, through 2015, the year they should graduate--and, not coincidentally, the U.N.'s target date for achieving universal education, a Millennium Development goal endorsed by all 191 members of the United Nations. While each child in Time for School 3 has a unique story, taken together their lives tell an epic tale, shedding light on one of the most urgent and under-reported stories of our time.

### Energy

NOLA: NOWD 000532  
Series Title: Now on PBS  
Length: 30 minutes  
Airdate: 8/7/2009 9:30:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Power Struggle: Will the green energy dream come to fruition? This week NOW explores obstacles to the promise of renewables--energy generated from natural resources such as sunlight, wind, and rain. NOW travels to California, which has the most ambitious clean energy plan in the nation. But the state's efforts face stiff opposition from property owners and conservationists who prefer renewable energy from "local sources," such as photovoltaic rooftop solar panels. Complicating the matter are claims that the transmission lines are not actually carrying renewable energy at all, but represent a thinly-disguised strategy to stick to old energy practices.

### Environment/Nature/Geography

NOLA: MLNH 009506  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/8/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:07:08

At G-8, Small Steps on Emissions, Economic Recovery: Leaders of the Group of Eight industrialized nations gathered in Italy on Wednesday to assess risks to the global economy and other key issues at their annual meeting. Margaret Warner reports from the summit.

NOLA: NOWD 000534  
Series Title: Now on PBS  
Length: 30 minutes  
Airdate: 8/21/2009 9:30:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

This week, NOW ON PBS focuses on global warming in "On Thin Ice." The program will allow viewers to see climate change right now and to make connections between global warming and crucial life and death issues such as competition for water, global food security and national security.

NOLA: YELL 000000  
Series Title: Yellowstone: Land to Life  
Length: 30 minutes  
Airdate: 9/8/2009 9:30:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:26:46

Filmmaker John Grabowska presents a lyrical interpretation of the sweeping geologic story of Yellowstone, the world's first and most famous national park. Formation of glaciers, mountain ranges and the gigantic caldera of a supervolcano provide the saga of this special place. Filmed over two years through all seasons, the film delves deeply into the significance behind the scenery and illuminates the intimate bonds between the landscape and biology - how Yellowstone's geology influences where life exists and how it evolves. A short concluding film, "Yellowstone's Cascade Corner," features the portion of Yellowstone extending across the southwestern border of Montana into Idaho.

### Family/Marriage

NOLA: AMDO 002205  
Series Title: P.O.V.  
Episode Title: The Betrayal (Nerakhoon)  
Length: 90 minutes  
Airdate: 7/26/2009 11:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Filmed over 23 years, The Betrayal is the Academy Award®-nominated directorial debut of renowned cinematographer Ellen Kuras in a unique collaboration with the film's subject and co-director, Thavisouk ("Thavi") Phrasavath. After the U.S. government waged a secret war in Laos during the Vietnam War, Thavi's father and thousands of other Laotians who had fought alongside American forces were abandoned and left to face imprisonment or execution. Hoping to find safety, Thavi's family made a harrowing escape to America, where they discovered a different kind of war. Weaving ancient prophecy with personal testimony and stunning imagery, The Betrayal is a story of survival and the resilient bonds of family. A Diverse Voices Project co-production with support from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB); funded in part by the Center for Asian American Media (CAAM). An Official Selection of the 2008 Sundance Film Festival.

### Health/Health Care

NOLA: BMJL 001313  
Series Title: Bill Moyers Journal  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/10/2009 10:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Health Care Reform on the Table: Public option, single payer, free market? what are the options now under discussion? Money, Politics and Health: Trace campaign contributions, ad spending and the revolving door between industry and government. Moyers on Media, Politics and Health Care: A Bill Moyers essay. Wendell Potter -- Profits or Patients: With almost 20 years inside the health insurance industry, Wendell Potter saw for-profit insurers hijack our health care system and put profits before patients. Now, he speaks with Bill Moyers about how those companies are standing in the way of health care reform.

NOLA: WIDA 000802  
Series Title: Wide Angle  
Episode Title: Heart of Jenin  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/8/2009 10:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

When 12-year-old Palestinian Ahmed Khatib was accidentally shot and killed by Israeli soldiers in the West Bank city of Jenin, the boy's parents turned their sorrow into a gift of hope for six Israeli children by consenting to donate Ahmed's organs.

NOLA: NOWD 000533  
Series Title: Now on PBS  
Length: 30 minutes  
Airdate: 8/14/2009 9:30:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Gambling with Health Care: Losing your job is a blow not just to your income, but also to your health insurance. Many can't afford high COBRA premiums, much less private insurance. And the sputtering economy is making a bad situation tragic. NOW travels to Nevada, where a huge budget deficit, spiking unemployment, and cuts in Medicaid and other public services are forcing people to gamble with their own lives. Recently, the only public hospital in Las Vegas had to shut its doors to cancer patients and pregnant women. Should the government be helping out? NOW shares the human stories behind the distressing numbers, and investigates possible solutions and responses with insight from Dr. Howard Dean, former Vermont governor and chairman of the Democratic National Committee. With the economic disaster blowing holes in society's health care safety net, who's left to catch our fall?

NOLA: BMJL 001318  
Series Title: Bill Moyers Journal  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/14/2009 10:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

David Frum: A Conservative Plan for Healthcare? Bill Moyers sits down with former special assistant to George W. Bush, David Frum, who is calling on Republicans to come up with their own plan for health care reform and suggests changes that conservatives can support. War of Words on Health Care -- Jamieson and Altman: Media analyst Kathleen Hall Jamieson and Kaiser Family Foundation President and CEO Drew Altman discuss the messages in health care ads today, and how well they reflect the real issues of health care reform.

NOLA: WWIR 004908  
Series Title: Washington Week  
Length: 30 minutes  
Airdate: 8/21/2009 9:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

A special program this week--your questions, our answers, all on the hot topic of this hot month: health care, tonight, on Washington Week. The questions are coming fast and furious. One man asked, "Why are we inviting 50 million illegal invaders, who broke federal law, into our health care system?" Then, a woman asked, "Why do you continue to support a Nazi policy as Obama has expressly supported this policy, why are you supporting it?" Rep. Barney Frank (D-MA) said, "On what planet do you spend most of your time?" But who do you trust to give you the answers. The president is trying. Pres. Barack Obama said, "We're going to have to cut through a lot of nonsense out there, a lot of absurd claims that have been made about health insurance reform." But is it too little too late? One woman said, "Call your senator. Stop the government takeover of health care." We asked for your questions and hundreds of you responded. Tonight's answers come from the reporters who have been covering the story--Ceci Connolly of the Washington Post, Peter Baker of the New York Times, Naftali Bendavid of the Wall Street Journal, and Jeanne Cummings of Politico.

#### **Immigration/Refugees**

NOLA: NOWD 000527  
Series Title: Now on PBS  
Length: 30 minutes  
Airdate: 7/3/2009 9:30:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

The U.S.-Mexico border fence--are private contractors making billions on a project that won't even work? This week, NOW Senior Correspondent Maria Hinojosa travels to Texas to meet border families who fear losing their property, their safety, and their way of life.

## Media

NOLA: AMMS 002204  
Series Title: American Masters  
Episode Title: Garrison Keillor: The Man on the Radio in the Red Shoes  
Length: 90 minutes  
Airdate: 7/1/2009 9:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 01:26:46

Lake Wobegon -- where the women are strong, the men are good looking and all the children are above average -- has become America's collective hometown, visited weekly for the past 40 years on a fictional radio program that creates authentic nostalgia. With his *Prairie Home Companion*, Garrison Keillor became our national philosopher, filling the shoes of Will Rogers and Mark Twain, through his running commentary about the human condition and the social politic. With biting wit, a quirky perspective and an uncanny ability to hone in on the pulse of America, Keillor's themes and characters are somehow familiar to us all, resonating a shared experience. For more than a year, our camera has followed this great raconteur -- and his motley crew of actors, musicians and technical staff -- as he criss-crosses the country, broadcasting, recording and revealing himself.

NOLA: BMJL 001315  
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Rage on the Airwaves: What happens when America's airwaves fill with hate? Bill Moyers Journal revisits a tough look at the hostile industry of "Shock Jock" media with a hard-hitting examination of its effects on our nation's political discourse. Trudy Lieberman and Marcia Angell: Bill Moyers sits down with Trudy Lieberman, director of the health and medical reporting program at the CUNY Graduate School of Journalism, and Marcia Angell, senior lecturer in social medicine at Harvard Medical School and former editor in chief of the "New England Journal of Medicine."

NOLA: MLNH 009514  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/20/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Walter Cronkite, and the Way the News Media Is Now: It's been more than a quarter century since Walter Cronkite retired as anchor of the CBS Evening News, but his impact on journalism persists. Robert MacNeil and Todd Gitlin of Columbia University speak with Gwen Ifill about Cronkite's reporting legacy.

NOLA: MLNH 009536  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/19/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Remembering "60 Minutes" Creator Don Hewitt: A remembrance of Don Hewitt, creator of the television magazine "60 Minutes," who died Wednesday after a battle with pancreatic cancer.

#### **National Politics/Government**

NOLA: WWIR 004905  
Series Title: Washington Week  
Length: 30 minutes  
Airdate: 7/31/2009 9:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
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Six months in, is the president truly hitting a rough patch, or are the White House and the Congress in a standoff? We take a look, tonight on Washington Week. As the president's popularity begins to slide, the test narrows down to the future of health care. Pres. Barack Obama said, "Nobody is talking about some government takeover of health care. I'm tired of hearing that." Sen. Harry Reid (D-NV) said, "The only problem we have with having a bipartisan bill is the Republican leadership in the Senate." Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY) said, "Some in Congress seem to be in such a rush--such a rush to pass any reform rather than the right reform." Sen. Chuck Grassley (R-IA) said, "The trouble is you folks are looking for news and there ain't no news." But there has been news and it's all about complicated choices, whether it's about reviving the economy. Pres. Obama said, "We now have problems. We're going to have to tighten our belt. But we can't do it in the middle of the stimulus. We can't do it in the middle--just as the economy is coming out of recession. Sen. Jim Demint (R-SC) said, "He's taken a bad economy and made it worse." Or tackling racial reconciliation by photo-op, whatever happened to the summer doldrums?. Covering the week: Charles Babington of the Associated Press, Dan Balz of the Washington Post, and Alexis Simendinger of National Journal.

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Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
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Ailing Lockerbie Bomber Sent Home to Libya: Abdel Baset al-Megrahi, who was serving a life sentence for the 1988 bombing of Pan-Am flight 103, was released by the Scottish government Thursday due to his ailing health and allowed to return to his native Libya.



NOLA: MLNH 009541  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
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Service: PBS  
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Hatch Reflects on Friendship, Battles With Kennedy: Utah Sen. Orrin Hatch speaks with Judy Woodruff about Sen. Kennedy's life, legacy, battle with brain cancer and their unlikely friendship.

NOLA: MLNH 009555  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 9/15/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
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Segment Length: 00:00:00

Doubts Surface Among Democrats on Afghan War Strategy: During testimony on Capitol Hill Tuesday, Adm. Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said the Afghan war is growing more complicated and may require more troops. Margaret Warner reports on doubts among some Democrats on the strategy for Afghanistan.

### Religion/Ethics

NOLA: BMJL 001314  
Series Title: Bill Moyers Journal  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/17/2009 10:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
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Segment Length: 00:00:00

Moyers on Money and Health Reform: A Bill Moyers essay. Obama and Environmentalists: Bill Moyers talks with two environmental activists who are disappointed with the President's progress on climate change. Also, check out the debate among environmentalists over Obama's initiatives. Robert Wright: In his new book, "The Evolution of God," bestselling author Robert Wright examines how the idea of God has changed through history. Wright sits down with Bill Moyers to discuss why he thinks the notion of God is imperative to a moral society.

NOLA: MLNH 009541  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/26/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Remembering Ted Kennedy's Faith, Friendships and Persona: A journalist, clergyman and congressman who were close to Sen. Ted Kennedy reflect on his personality, faith and friendships.

### Science/Technology

NOLA: NOSN 000402  
Series Title: NOVA scienceNOW  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/7/2009 10:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Magazine  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Astronomers on the brink of finding "another Earth" in our galaxy, using a new planet-hunting machine: the Kepler telescope; Rudy Tanzi, a pioneer in discovering genes for Alzheimer's disease, and others who are on the hunt for the genetic key to autism; the use of computers to authenticate paintings; and a profile of spider scientist Maydianne Andrade.

NOLA: NOSN 000407  
Series Title: NOVA scienceNOW  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/25/2009 10:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

The repair mission for the Hubble space telescope, as astronauts try to fix crucial equipment that was not designed to be repaired in orbit; studies on the brain of an epileptic to try to understand more about the link between brain structure and memory; using new data from cave stalagmites and the Mississippi riverbed to understand how and why earthquakes strike in the heartland; and a profile of neurosurgeon Alfredo Quiñones-Hinojosa.

## Transportation

NOLA: MLNH 009508  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/10/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:08:27

Post-Bankruptcy, GM CEO Pledges New Course: After the announcement that General Motors Corp. had completed its 40-day stay under bankruptcy protection, CEO Fritz Henderson speaks to Judy Woodruff about the company's goals for remaking the struggling auto maker.

NOLA: MLNH 009539  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/24/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Popular 'Cash for Clunkers' Program Winds Down: The government is ending its popular 'Cash for Clunkers' program two months early due to dwindling funds. Jeffrey Brown speaks with an automotive journalist about its impact on the auto industry and the economy.

NOLA: MLNH 009551  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 9/9/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

News Wrap--Mexican Airliner Briefly Hijacked: In other news, a Mexican airliner with 112 passengers on board was hijacked Wednesday, and British troops rescued a New York Times reporter in Afghanistan.

## War/Veterans/National Security

NOLA: AMDO 002204  
Series Title: P.O.V.  
Episode Title: The Reckoning: The Battle for the International Criminal Court  
Length: 90 minutes  
Airdate: 7/19/2009 11:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 01:26:46

Over 120 countries have united to form the International Criminal Court (ICC) -- the first permanent court created to prosecute perpetrators, no matter how powerful, of crimes against humanity, war crimes and genocide. "The Reckoning" follows dynamic ICC Prosecutor Luis Moreno Ocampo and his team for three years across four continents as he issues arrest warrants for Lord's Resistance Army leaders in Uganda, puts Congolese warlords on trial, shakes up the Colombian justice system, and charges Sudan's President Omar al-Bashir with genocide in Darfur. Like a thriller, this film keeps you on the edge of your seat. Will the Prosecutor succeed? Will the world ensure that justice prevails?

NOLA: MLNH 009533  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/14/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Inside View of Taliban Underscores Afghanistan's Complexity: As the conflict in Afghanistan heats up, how much is truly known about the Taliban and what are the prospects of negotiating with them? GlobalPost's Charles Sennott offers insight.

NOLA: BMJL 001322  
Series Title: Bill Moyers Journal  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 9/11/2009 10:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
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Segment Length: 00:00:00

Dr. Jim Yong Kim: Global health specialist and Dartmouth College president  
Dr. Jim Yong Kim shares his expertise in public health. Nancy Youssef on Afghanistan: The JOURNAL takes a hard look at the state of affairs in ever-divided Afghanistan with McClatchy DC Pentagon correspondent Nancy Youssef. Picturing the Costs of War: Photo journalists on the course and aftermath of war.

NOLA: NOWD 000536  
Series Title: Now on PBS  
Length: 30 minutes  
Airdate: 9/4/2009 9:30:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

After Guantanamo: Closing Guantanamo Bay's prison will do little to close the debate on what we should do with alleged terrorists. This week NOW, as part of a collaboration with the nonprofit investigative unit ProPublica, explores the controversial tactic of "preventative detention," a government plan that may detain suspects indefinitely without trial or even formal charges. Implementing such a plan may have far-reaching consequences on not just our fight against terrorism, but the integrity of the U.S. Constitution and the cause of human rights. Even with President Obama in office and Guantanamo's days numbered, we're still asking: What price will we pay for peace on the ground and peace of mind?

#### Women

NOLA: MLNH 009511  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/15/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:07:08

Sotomayor Deflects Abortion Questions: Senators repeatedly pushed Judge Sonia Sotomayor to define her views on abortion Wednesday, but she resisted. Kwame Holman recaps the third day of confirmation hearings.

#### Youth

NOLA: MLNH 009505  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/7/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review  
Segment Length: 00:10:55

Struggling Schools Turn to Top Grads for Teaching Boost: In the latest installment in a series about education reform, John Merrow reports on how public school systems struggling to close the achievement gap are increasingly turning to the Teach for America program for help.

NOLA: AMDO 002206  
Series Title: P.O.V.  
Episode Title: Hold Me Tight, Let Me Go  
Length: 90 minutes  
Airdate: 8/16/2009 11:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 01:26:46

Variety describes it as a film "mixing ferocity with tenderness, delicacy with tenacity" -- exactly like the unusual school it explores. In Hold Me Tight, Let Me Go, one of Britain's leading documentary filmmakers takes a verite look at Oxford's Mulberry Bush School for emotionally disturbed children. Mulberry's heroically forbearing staff greets extreme, sometimes violent behavior with only consolation and gentle restraint. Kim Longinotto's unblinking camera captures an arduous process and a nearly unhinged environment, but it also records the daily dramas of troubled kids trying to survive and the moments of hope they achieve with Mulberry's clear-eyed staff.

NOLA: NOWD 000531  
Series Title: Now on PBS  
Length: 30 minutes  
Airdate: 7/31/2009 9:30:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Fighting Child Prostitution: Child prostitution is on the rise not just in other countries around the world, but right here in America. The Department of Justice says, on any given day, tens of thousands of children across America are involved in prostitution. But what's being done to stop it? This week NOW on PBS visits Atlanta, Georgia to see how one American city is handling the tragic phenomenon of child prostitution. It is one of 27 American cities where the problem seems to be spinning out of control.

NOLA: MLNH 009533  
Series Title: NewsHour with Jim Lehrer; The  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/14/2009 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format:  
Segment Length: 00:00:00

11-year-old Reporter Lands an Interview with Obama: After waiting a year for a response from the White House, 11-year-old Damon Weaver landed an interview with President Obama.

NOLA: AMDO 002211  
Series Title: P.O.V.  
Episode Title: The Principal Story  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 9/28/2009 12:00:00 AM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

The Principal Story tells two stories, painting a dramatic portrait of the challenges facing America's public schools -- and of the great difference a dedicated principal can make. Tresa Dunbar is a second-year principal at Chicago's Nash Elementary, where 98% of students come from low-income families; in Springfield, Illinois, Kerry Purcell has led Harvard Park Elementary, with similar demographics, for six years. Tod Lending ("Omar & Pete," P.O.V. 2005) and David Mrazek followed both women over the course of a school year, discovering each one's unique styles yet similar passions. The Principal Story takes the viewer along for an emotional ride that reveals what effective educational leadership looks like in the 21st century.